#### A LIVELY SOCIAL WEEK

(Concluded from Tenth Page.) Haines, Elsie McLain, Lucy Palmer, Helen Rockwood, Muriel Hitt and Alice Scott. There were Christmas decorations of holly, laurel and flowers and the favors for the company were dainty Christmas cards. Thursday evening Mrs. Alice Grinn gave a reception to a few of her friends in honor of her guest, Miss Foster, of Newark. O. She was assisted in receiving by Misses Alma Conner, Grace Benton and Margaret Hendricks. The house was decorated with palms and holly. Among the guests were Miss Foster, of Newark; Misses Granville, of Terre Haute, and Miss Trumbell, of Chi-

Rev. C. N. Sims will read a paper on "Longfellow-Poet and Man" at the Indianapolis Literary Club to-morrow evening. The Minerva Club will meet to-morrow with Miss Goodhart. "Conflict of Relig-ions" will be given by Miss Nancy Steven-son: "Elizabeth—a Typical English Sover-ign." by Mrs. Stella M. Cale, and "Dress Reform in Elizabeth's Time" by Mrs. Mc-

The Woman's Home and Foreign Society of the First Presbyterian Church will meet the parlors of the church Wednesday day. The Service of Giving-Our High Privilege." Accounts will be given in regard to special offerings. The hostesses for the day are Mrs. John H. Holliday, Mrs. Albert Baker, Miss Woollen, Miss Williams, ss Baker and Miss McConnell

irs. O. R. Clements, assisted by her moth-Mrs. R. S. Neate, Mrs. A. B. Gough, David Stevenson and Miss Florence ate, entertained a number of friends day evening at dinner in honor of her usband's birthday. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Gorsuch, Dr. and Mrs. Roberts, Dr. and Mrs. Stratford, Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Gerrard, Mr. and Mrs. Gough, Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson and Frank W. Finney.

A song recital will be given at the matinee musicale Wednesday afternoon by Mr. John L. Geige, assisted by the Misses Schellschmidt. The programme will be Bedouin Love Song." Dudley Buck; Peace of Night Op. 12, No. 11," and "Stars and Angels," by Gerrit Smith; "Berceuse," by Oberthur; "Caro mio ven," by Giordani; "Auftrage," by Schumann; "Recitative and Aria," Torquato Tasse "Perche Dellaure in "Aldebaran," by Brahms: "Les Reves." by Chaminade;
"Trennung," by F. Ries, "Ein Ton," by
P. Cornelius; "Joan, Op. 44," by Grieg;
"Mazurka," by Schnecker: "Chansonette."

Serenade" and "Queen Whims," by Mary

Knight Woods. At the last meeting of the

Musicale it was decided that resident non-

members would be admitted to any recital

either by foreign or home talent for 50

The tea given at the home of Mrs. Henry N. Spaan on Friday from 2 to 5 p. m. by the fourth section of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Central Christian Church was largely attended. There were violin numbers by Miss Esther Willeox, accompanied by her Mrs. Barry, and Mrs. Barry also played several selections on the plane, and Prof. F. H. Topmiller, a graduate of the Institute for the Blind of this city, played several compositions, and arrangements of in receiving were: Mrs. Maud Showers, Mrs. F. C. Stewart, Mrs. S. K. Syfers, Mrs. J. R. Ryan, Mrs. A. R. White and Mrs. Yockey. The ladies presiding over the re-freshment tables were: Mrs. Van Pelt, Mrs. Frank Wiley, Mrs. G. C. Siethorn, Mrs. Van Harlingen, Mrs. Woodworth, Mrs. Ruffin, Mrs. John W. Stokes, Mrs. Frank Wells, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. John Wood, Mrs. H. T. Spain, Mrs. Ryan and Mrs. C.

Twelve young married women of North dianapolis have recently organized a soliterary "Social Dozen." The club meets on alternate Thursday afternoons, and each month one of the ladies entertains the members and their husbands on the evening of her birth-day. A few evenings ago Mrs. L. M. Pentistreet. The musical programmes of the evening were quaintly done in delft colors by the hostess. The club presented Mrs. Penticost with a white porcelain chocolate service, which she herself will decorate. New Year's day will be guest day, when the ladies will be glad to see their friends informally. The members are: Mesdames William Messick, L. M. Penticost, T. H. Hazelrigg, Howard Ackerman, Wallace Watts, Charles A. Wise, William Gulon, Charles Backus, William Landis, Melvin Crist, Or-val D. Cosler, L. B. Buchter.

#### Christmas Fairs.

The Epworth League of the Fletcherplace M. E. Church, will give a Christmas fair, afternoon and evenings of Dec. 15 and 16. All kinds of Christmas articles, such as fancy work, domestics, toys, dolls, home-made candies, holly and mistletoe and ooks will be on sale. Beverages, ices and

he residence of P. W. Bartholomew, No. All kinds of fancy and useful articles will be sold, besides home-made candles. The fair will open at 1 o'clock p. m., and continue during the afternoon and evening. Dinner will be served from 6 to 8 o'clock.

#### Irvington.

Mrs. Alice Garvey, of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Omar Wilson. Miss Annie Sloan, of Cincinnati, was a guest of Miss Harriet Ritter last week. Mrs. India Baker Kilmer, of Rochester, Ind., spent last week with Mrs. George W.

Mrs. Allen R. Benton gave a small dinner party on Wednesday evening for Miss

Mr. Timothy Johnson, of Colorado, was visiting his brother, Mr. Sylvester Johnson, Mrs. Rice, of St. Louis, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. James L. Zink, at her

Mr. Jacob Julian, one of the chief founders of Irvington, after a residence of twenty-three years, has removed to the city. Mrs. Griggs has gone to California to spend the winter with her son, Prof. Ed-ward Griggs, of Leland Stanford Uni-

Prof. Thomas M. Iden will give a ban-uct to the students of his bible class on riday evening in the parlors of the Dow-

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Brown have issued invitations to a dinner to be given at their home on University avenue on Tues-

day evening at 6 o'clock. Mr. William Fout, of Knox county, Indiana, visited his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. dseley, last week. He contemplates build-

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moore gave a party for their eldest son, Mr. Will Moore, on Monday night. The house was decorated with red and white carnations. The even-ing was spent in music and dancing. from Lexington, where he is attending the Kentucky Laiversity, to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Grubb. He will bring as a guest Mr. Fite, a fel-

A children's party was given on Friday evening by Mrs. D. F. Tibbott for her son, Master Fred Tibbott. About fifty children were present. A feature of the evening was the presentation of scenes from Mother

lowney-avenue Church have issued invitagreat religious buildings of the About fifty views have been se-They will be described and commented upon by those who have seen the

The young men of the Delta Tau Delta at Butler College gave a party to the memheir hall. The guests were received by Miss Adelaide Smith. Miss Brownie Har-lan. Miss Kenly. Miss Effic Blount and Messrs. C. R. Loop, Shirley Watts, Ma-rion Loop and John Carr.

bers of the senior class and the faculty f Butler College at the home of Mr. and irs. Charles B. Clarke on Thursday even-Miss Bridges was assisted in receiving Miss Marietta Keis and Mrs. Clarke. raden served ices and coffee. Miss Charotte Powell and Miss Florence Moore, in ainty gowns of white organdie, assisted in

Miss Agusta Stevenson on Friday evening for the benefit of the Mexican mission work. The rooms were decorated in flowers, bright colored scarfs and Mexican trophies. Many articles of Mexican pottery, drawn work, toys, opals and onyx, sent from Mexico, were on sale. Girls in gay Mexican costumes assisted in selling the articles, in serving the refreshments and in pouring chia, tamarindo, behtabel and ochata. Music was furnished during

The Tuesday Club observed its first guest day of this year on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Albert Johnson, on by Persius, the Roman satirist, about 60 Downey avenue. Mrs. Johnson was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Charles Cross, the now quoted, in Richard Franck's "Norththe home of Mrs. Albert Johnson, on Downey avenue. Mrs. Johnson was assistde in receiving by Mrs. Charles Cross, the club's president; Mrs. E. C. Thompson and Mrs. Mary Calkins. Miss Laura Ream read her paper written for the Fortnightly Club, of Indianapolis, on "Fine Ladies of Early Indianapolis." During the afternoon Miss Georgia Galvin sang. Mrs. Elizabeth Powell, Mrs. Moorman, Mrs. Otis Green and Miss Emma Johnson assisted in serving and passing the refreshments. of Indianapolis, on "Fine Ladies of Early Indianapolis." During the afternoon Miss Georgia Galvin sang. Mrs. Elizabeth Powell, Mrs. Moorman, Mrs. Otis Green and Miss Emma Johnson assisted in serving and passing the refreshments.

The Sheridan Dramatic Club met at the home of Miss Josephine Smith on Wednes-

day evening. Since at the club's previous meeting the entertainment had been furnished exclusively by the men, the characters of the evening's play were all taken by the young ladies. The farce "No Cure, No Pay," presented was short and bright. The cast included Miss Ritter, Miss Braden, Miss Butler, Miss Layman, Miss Emma Johnson and Miss Josephine Smith. Among the guests of the club were Miss Georgia McDermott and Miss Annie Sloan, of Cincinnati. The club's next meeting will be on New Year's night at the home of Miss Ellen Boyles.

Music and Art Notes. The exhibit of Mr. William Forsyth's pictures at the Century Club rooms at the Denison will continue through to-day, Mon-day, Tuesday and Wednesday, and is open

A concert will be given next month at the Propylaeum, in which Mr. Edwin Farmer, pianist, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Mc-Gibeny, Mr. Karl Schneider, Mrs. H. H. Howland and Mrs. L. F. Page will take

The new quartet at the Tabernacle Church which will begin its services Janwhen Rev. J. Cumming Smith comes, will consist of Mrs. John Sontag, so-prano; Mrs. Alice Fleming Evans, alto; Mr. William H. Daggett, tenor, and Mr. Norman C. Hassler, bass.

A children's recital will be given to-mor-row evening at the Metropolitan School of Music. Those who are to take part are Jessie Anderson, Jennie Pickens, Ethel Reeves, Bessie Ogle, Earl Hunt, Hazel Vliet, Willnetta Tucker, Bessie Dixon, Edith Miriam Hull, Leona Essex, Lucetta Ohr and Cecil Bell.

A mandolin, banjo and guitar recital will be given at the Propylaeum Wednesday evening, under the direction of Mr. Frank Z. Maffey. A number of the participants are students of the instruments. The programme contains a varied programme of solo and concerted music. The Indianapolis Banjo Club, the Philharmonic Club and Miss Josephine Robinson, contralto, will assist. Among those who are to participate are Miss Annie Hurty, Misses Margaret and Nellie Shover, Miss Inez Lemmen. Frost Patten, Elenor Carey, Herbert and George Eckhouse, Ray Newcomb. Roy Reinhardt, Messrs. Mason, McLaughlin and Maffey.

The next number of "The Ishmaelite" will come out Dec. 23. A poster has been made for the publication and the artist proof drawing has just been received. The drawing was made by Miss Alice N. Woods and is the strongest piece of work she has yet done in this line of work. The first effect is the broad stretch of arid desert which covers the horizontal page. At the right stands Hagar, a most pathetic figure, with nothing but hopelessness and desolation on her face, and in the down-clasped hands, with thick black hair enveloping her like a pall. At her feet is the empty jar and on the left, under the paltry shale of a juniper tree, lies stretched the figure of Ishmael, the thin body showing starvation. Miss Woods has the true poster idea without the decadent effects affected by many of the so-called poster artists. There be issued with the Christmas number of the miniature magazine.

Indianapolis is now having an opportunity to see the works of the several artists. Mr. T. C. Steele is at his studio on North Penn-sylvania street, with his collection of pic-tures, the result of his summer and autumn work. Mr. R. B. Gruelle has just closed his exhibit at Lieber's, but it may be seen at his own studio. Mr. William Forsyth has had his pictures on free exhibition at the Century Club rooms all the week, and will have those that are not sent to other ex-hibits in his studio. Mr. Otto Stark's studio is open with a collection of oil, water colors and portraits, and Miss Rudisell has her fine collection at her studio. All the artists fine collection at her studio. Ail the artists have something to show, which is rare even for the Indiana group. The artists have the best work they have ever shown and there is a wide difference in the style of several of them. Mr. Steele and Mr. Forsyth have both changed considerably and Mr. Gruelle shows the very best work he has ever done. Mr. Stark shows a greater variety and those who have not seen Miss Rudisell's work will be surprised at what she has to work will be surprised at what she has to show. For Christmas or wedding gifts a picture by a home artist is an excellent

#### OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

In France when a railway train is more than ten minutes late the company is fined. The public debt of France is the largest in the world and amounts to about \$8,000,-

The only woman's face that has ever adorned United States paper money is that of Martha Washington.

Of the representatives to the Maine Leg-islature elected this fall two have died and one has resigned thus far—an unusual rec-The loss of property caused by the tor-nado at St. Louis in May last has been es-

timated by expert assessors to have been Teapots were the invention of either the Indians of the Chinese, and are of uncer-tain antiquity. They came to Europe with

Arizona has the greatest dally change of temperature on the earth's surface. There is frequeently a change of 80 degrees in the twelve hours.

One of the deluded silver fanatics of Bloomingdale, Mich., is circulating a petition for his appointment as postmaster under a free silver President in 1900.

The oldest university in the world is El Azhar, meaning "the splendid," situated at Cairo. It is the greatest Mohammedan school, and has clear records dating 975. The proposed length of the transsiberian railway from Ciuliabinsk to Viadivostock, on the Japan sea, is 4.547 miles, of which over one-third has been completed. In Eastern Australia 100,000,000 sheep and great herds of cattle and horses now feed upon pastures covering flat ground which hirty years ago was a desert of soft sand, Germany's capacity to compete with England is not due, as all along supposed, to cheap labor, but, as watchful observers have believed, to superior technical train-ing. This England has had to admit.

The longest commercial distance at which the long-distance telephone is now operated is from Boston to St. Louis, a distance of 1,400 miles. This line is more than twice as long as any European telephone line. dimensions as those employed to-day have been found in great numbers in Pompeli They were of gold, silver, glass, agate,

marble and other semi-precious stones. In Greece, in the third century, B. C., the wearing of silk was forbidden to women, the husbands of those who violated this law being heavily fined, on the theory that a husband ought to be able to control his wife's taste for finery.

Paris is the paradise of the dressmaker. There are in the city 70,000 persons who make articles of women's dress and 65,000 dressmakers. It has been estimated that the yearly amount earned in this business there is over \$250,976,000.

There are fifty-two penitentiaries and over 17,000 jails in the United States. They ost \$500,000,600 to build them. Over 900,000 persons were incarcerated in the year 1892 The criminal expense to the country is not less than one hundred millions annually. The total value of railroad properties in the United States aggregate \$11,000,000,000 but much of this represents mere water, the issuanace of securities for which no money has been paid. The amount of money actually invested is estimated at \$6,000.-

Looking glasses were used by Anglo-Saxon women, slung to their girdles. The same custom obtained in the time of Elizabeth and James I. They formed the cen-ter of many fans at that period and later. Before glass was invented horn was used

From the Hawkins county, Tennessee, marble quarries an old colored man who regularly hauls the output to Whitesburg. drew the other day a block weighing 25,200 pounds. He used twelve mule teams. The block contained 140 feet, and his pay, which

is by the foot, amounted to \$49. A London policeman serves eight hours a day and gets from % a week on entry to \$8 at the end of eight years. The men are supplied with uniforms and boots, and they have coal money and certain extras. At the end of twenty-six years' service there is the superanuation pay for them. It is estimated that twenty-two acres of

land are necessary to sustain one man on fresh meat. The same space of land, if devoted to wheat culture, would feed forty-two people; if to oats, eighty-eight; pota-toes, Indian corn and rice, 176, and if to plantain or bread-tree, over 6,000 people. The increase in the population of Argentine Republic between Sept. 15, 1869 (the last census) and May 10, 1895, (the date on which the present census was taken), has been 2,218,776, equivalent to an increase of 120 per cent. or an annual increase of 4.6 per cent. The urban population of the Republic has increased 1,645,944.

The proverh, "Necessity is the mother of invention," can hardly be traced to one independent source. The idea was expressed

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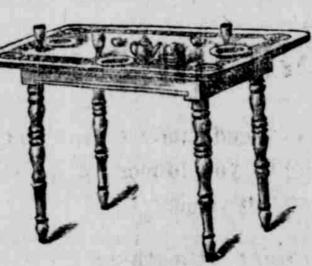


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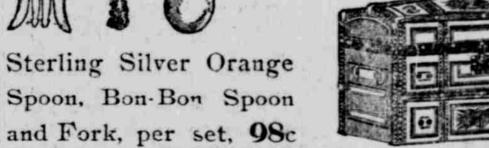
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